

THRONG OF SPECTATORS AT COURT OF EPICURUS

Deep, Personal Interest Displayed in "Trial," at Which "Justice" Dunlop Presides.

Peremptorily summoned by G. Thomas Dunlop, chief justice of the supreme court of Epicurus, more than 400 of Washington's most prominent business, professional and club men journeyed to Hayes, Md., near Chevy Chase Lake, yesterday afternoon to attend the new trial granted by "Justice" Dunlop of the celebrated case of the Lawyers' Club against Hams von Biercrab, alias Jambon De Biere-Cancere. The "testimony" was lavishly presented and the jury pondered over the verdict for more than three hours. The "Justice" said to it that the "good things" included in the evidence were not lost on the jurors, nor on any in the assemblage.

Suggestion Carries Weight.
For a time it looked like an easy victory for the defense—the way the "testimony" was received—but after hours had passed in the consideration one bright juror suggested that unless they found for the Lawyers' Club the best might consider it a reflection on his profession.

The adoption of this suggestion made the verdict easy, and it was declared unanimously that the plaintiff was entitled to prevail, and that any remaining property of the defendant on the grounds should be subject to attachment. The report of the jury was received with acclaim, and "Justice" Dunlop having granted a judgment of condemnation of any of the defendant's property to be found, the attachment was executed immediately.

Grateful for Convincing "Points."
Before leaving the box the jurors, for themselves and for the others present, expressed their appreciation of the convincing points made by "Justice" Dunlop in his charge, and thanked him for the excellent manner in which the "testimony" had been presented to them by him.

Among the jurors and witnesses at the "trial" were justices of the District courts, bankers, lawyers, brokers, physicians and merchants. Nearly all the clerks of the United States Supreme Court and of the District Supreme Court were in attendance to keep the record of the proceedings.

APPROVES THE FLY TRAP OPERATED IN ST. LOUIS

Dr. Arthur L. Murray Believes Same Type Should Be Used in Washington.

That municipal fly traps, such as are operated in St. Louis and described and illustrated in The Star of yesterday, would be a good thing for Washington, was the statement of Dr. Arthur L. Murray of the health department last night.

Dr. Murray, who has been in charge of the fly-swating crusade in the District for several years, and arranged the campaign conducted by The Star, said: "It would be a mighty good thing for Washington to have a few huge fly traps located at some of the more prominent street intersections.

Would Arouse Interest.

"The mere sight of such traps would attract attention and arouse interest in the fight against the flies," he said. He suggested that a contrivance with a double cone, the top one to be smaller than the lower, would be an improvement on the St. Louis trap.

Dr. Murray thinks the St. Louis plan would mean a great deal to the people of Washington. Their presence on the streets, he said, probably would suggest the use of traps to persons who have none in their homes, and thus the fight against the exterminating disease-carrying insect would be greater.

During the campaign for swatting the fly, conducted by The Star several years ago, a boy named Burdett, who was one of the prize winners, constructed a trap on the order of the one in St. Louis, although not as large. It was used in the vicinity of Center market and caught approximately 307,300 flies one day, Dr. Murray stated.

Imitation of Ordinary Trap.

The fly traps that are located in various parts of St. Louis are the centers of attraction to visitors to the city. These traps are a huge imitation of the ordinary fly traps one often sees in butcher shops. At the bottom there is a conical opening and under this opening one places a piece of suet or a piece of meat. The flies swarm by the thousands around the bait, and fly up through the opening in the cone into the trap, from the extreme end of the cone. The traps are three-story affairs, with plenty of light and air for the flies.

FLOOD LEVEL FALLING.

Potomac Carried Away Railroad Ties From Local Yards.

The Potomac river yesterday morning was high enough to cover the pier at the Alexandria shipyard with a foot or more of water and about a 150 railroad ties belonging to Washington dealers were washed away, and probably will be lost. As far as known this was practically all the damage done here or at Alexandria by the high water. The river last night was not as high as it was yesterday morning by several inches, and the rivermen believe the highest of the water has been reached and that within the next twenty-four hours it will return to normal.

Last yesterday afternoon the current that was sweeping under the Potomac bridges down the Virginia channel showed no sign of decreasing strength. The yellow flood was rolling and boiling under the Highway bridge as big a big fire was under and it was estimated that the speed of the current was in excess of five miles an hour. So far but few logs have been brought down by the current, but these may come later when the flood comes down from the upper reaches of the river.

At low water yesterday afternoon the level was several inches below that of Friday at the same period. According to steamboat masters the strength of the current is felt as far down the river as Glymont, and the muddy water is rapidly making its way to the salt water portion of the river.

Hibernians to Go on Outing.

The joint divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of the District of Columbia, are to have an outing and field day of sporting events at Chesapeake Beach, July 4. The Baltimore Hibernians have been invited to join with the Washington brethren in this celebration.

AMERICAN RAILWAYS EARN OVER A BILLION

Interstate Commerce Commission Report Shows Operating Income and Net Revenue for the Year.

More than \$1,000,000,000 in operating income will be earned by the railways of the United States for the year ending this month.

An interstate commerce commission report yesterday showed that during the ten months ending with April, operating revenues of the roads amounted to \$2,797,317,863, indicating a total of approximately \$3,360,000,000 by the end of the fiscal year, and operating expenses were \$1,827,816,880, indicating a total of about \$2,208,000,000 for the year.

Net revenue from railway operations during the ten months was \$970,001,082, but deductions for tax accruals and uncollectable revenues brought the recorded operating income to \$845,542,135. Operating income per mile of road was \$3,708 for the ten months, compared with \$2,600 in the same period last year.

In the eastern district the operating income per mile was \$6,335, compared with \$4,019 last year's period. In the southern district, \$2,817, compared with \$1,876, and in the western district, \$2,783, compared with \$2,180.

WOULD DONATE AIRSHIP IF PROVIDED A MOTOR

Patriotic Citizen Offers to Contribute Machine for National Defense, Provided—

A patriotic, presumably foreign-born American, who wants to do his or her sex is not certain—part in promoting preparedness. Has conceived the notion of building an airship as a contribution to the forces of defense and of offense. The only trouble is about a motor, and the individual makes a formal request that the government contribute this essential part of his proposed flying machine. But it cannot be done, and the problem must be worked out in some other way by this person anxious to do a public service.

The communication, asking for an aeroplane motor, is addressed: "To Assistant Secretary of Treasury Bryen R. Newton, White House, Washington, D. C." It was in the course of events delivered to Assistant Secretary Newton of the Treasury Department. It comes by mail, postmarked from a place in Pennsylvania, and reads:

"Dear sir: 'After seeing the battle cry of peace that was sent that every one should have an aptitude of the war, and I decide to make one airship of my own, but the only thing that I need is the motor which cannot make in my self. I am a poor boy 21 year of age, and I never got no much money, and I work here with my brotther with small salary. 'I aint got no much friends in this country but my brotther, and he dont want help me to buy the motor. 'And so I ask you if you send me a airship motor, an soon I make every-thing I will take a trip before any one else to san Francisco, Cal. 'Now excuse me for the bad writing because I cant write American."

Writer Sent Note of Warning.

The government has no motors which could be disposed of in this way and no appropriation for such purposes. Assistant Secretary Newton advises the applicant for aeronautical honors. He adds a note of warning:

"Having had some experience in the development of aircraft, I think that it would be proper for me to suggest to you that you be very sure that your airship is constructed on proper lines before hazarding any money in the purchase of a motor, which is, of course, one of the most expensive parts of any type of aerial craft."

Engineering Division Enlarged.

Col. John Biddle, engineer officer in charge of the eastern engineering division, with headquarters at Baltimore, has been notified by the War Department that two additional districts have been added to his division, which now comprises six districts. Norfolk is the headquarters of one of the new districts placed under Col. Biddle's charge, and Wilmington, N. C., the other. In addition to this, Col. Biddle has direct charge of a large section of Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, as well as of the channels leading to Baltimore.

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SUMMER CAMP OPENING NEAR; WORK IS RUSHED

Vegetables From Camp Garden to Be Feature of Bill of Fare and Better Than Last Year.

With the time for the opening of the summer camps for indigent persons rapidly approaching, the summer outings committee is now completing the work of preparation. Many tents have already been named for the season and are being received almost daily. Tents are named by orders and persons supporting them.

One of the features of all the camps last year, which made the food much more tasty, was the fact that vegetables, picked with the dew on them and served the same day, were always on the bill of fare. The camp garden supplied all the vegetables for the three camps last summer. The garden this year bids fair to be even better than that of last year and will save considerable.

Will Double Capacity.

The finishing touches are being put on the building at the Baby Hospital Camp, to double last year's capacity. This camp would be most grateful for donations of old linen which could be used in its work there, as it is distinctively a hospital camp. Donations may be sent to 923 H street northwest, care of the summer outings committee. The camp will be open this year the 26th, and Camp Good Will the 28th, of June. The nursery at Camp Pleasant will be in the charge of a graduate trained nurse. It is planned to teach the mothers who come to camp with babies the work similar to that of the diet kitchen, the care of the babies and modification of milk, and how to care for themselves. This nursery will accommodate from twelve to fourteen babies who are only slightly ill.

The committee has published a map this year, showing the location of the different camps and showing how they may be reached by trolley or automobile. These are being sent out with the receipts for contributions, are printed on the back of the committee's letter heads, and copies may be had on request. Contributions for sending children to the country for fresh air and frolic may be sent to Andrew Parker, treasurer, summer outings committee, 923 H street northwest, or to John Joy Edison, chairman.

SAFETY FIRST TRAIN MAGNET.

Arouses Much Interest; Reclamation Service Sends Representative.

W. I. Swanton of the United States reclamation service has joined the government safety first train at Pittsburgh for its trip through the central west. The cities in its itinerary during the balance of June include Pittsburgh and Washington, Pa., Wheeling, W. Va., Cambridge, Zanesville, Newark and Columbus, Ohio.

This traveling exhibition of the many important activities of the government relative to safety appliances and methods is being received with a great deal of interest by the cities and towns through which it passes. It carries exhibits from the government departments and the work which is open to the public from 1 to 9 o'clock each day.

Vice President on Way Here.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 17.—Vice President and Mrs. Thomas R. Marshall left Indianapolis late today for Washington. They had been visiting friends here for more than a week.

MERCHANT SHIP IN PORT CARRYING MOUNTED GUN

Arrival of British Steamer, Thus Equipped, at Newport News Is Reported to Washington.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 17.—The British steamer French Prince Hood arrived here today for a cargo of grain, carrying a 1½-inch rifle mounted astern. Her officers said the gun was for signal purposes, but the matter was reported to the Treasury Department at Washington.

Great Britain has agreed informally that her merchant ships leaving American ports shall not be armed. If the gun carried by the French Prince is powerful enough for fighting purposes it probably will be ordered removed by the British embassy here. Italian and French merchantmen, however, are armed have been cleared from New York and other ports on assurances that their armament would not be used for offense.

CAPTURE MORE VILLAGES IN GERMAN EAST AFRICA

LONDON, June 17.—British forces operating in the eastern part of German East Africa have made further advances, occupying the village of Killmanjaro and another village nearby. A large German force is confronting the British in this sector. Farther south, near the coast, the British have occupied the important post of Korogwe, and to the northwest have seized positions in the Victoria Nyanza sector. These announcements are made in an official statement just issued, as follows: "Kwedzwa, six miles north of Handeni, has been occupied by the British. 'The important station of Korogwe and the wagon bridge over the Pangani river have been secured by the British. 'The island of Ukerewe, north of the German port of Manusa, on Lake Victoria, has been occupied, and two Krupp guns and stores taken."

Portuguese in Fight.

LOURENCO MARQUEZ, Portuguese East Africa, via London, July 17, 4:32 a.m.—An official statement on the fighting in northern Portuguese East Africa says: "The Germans on Tuesday made a surprise attack against the Portuguese post of Namaka. The fighting lasted an hour, the Germans using explosive bullets. The Germans crossed the river (Rovuma) in dugouts, but were forced to retire into the bush on the left bank. "The Portuguese troops lost five killed and two wounded. The German losses are unknown."

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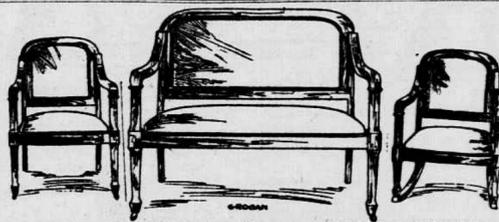
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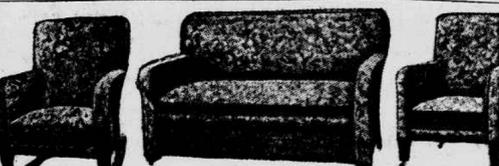
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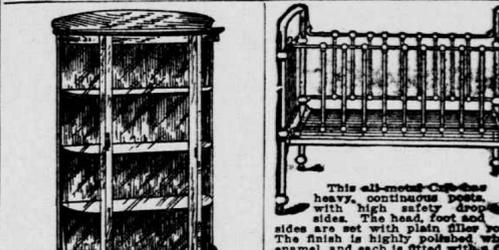
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